CLAIMS:

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What is claimed is:

5 1. A method in a data processing system for managing confidential information in a graphical user interface, the method comprising:

presenting confidential information within a history generated by a browser in the graphical user interface to form a presentation;

receiving a user input; and manipulating the confidential information using the user input.

- 15 2. The method of claim 1 further comprising: receiving a selection of the confidential information for presentation.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the presentation is in a form of a set of thumbnails, wherein each thumbnail represents a Web page containing a portion of the confidential information.
- 4. The method of claim 3 further comprising:
 25 responsive to a selection of a particular thumbnail
 from the set of thumbnails, displaying a Web page
 associated with the particular thumbnail.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the presentation is in a form a of tree and wherein the confidential information presented as nodes in the tree.

- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein each node within the nodes represents an object containing a portion of the confidential information.
- 5 7. The method of claim 6 , wherein the object includes at least one of a Web page and a cookie.
- 8. The method of clam 1, wherein the confidential information includes at least one of a phone number, a credit card number, a social security number, an address of a user, a user identification, a password, and a personal identification number.
- 9. The method of claim 2, wherein the receiving step 15 comprises:

receiving the selection of information as a user input.

- 10. The method of claim 1, wherein the history includes 20 a cookie file, a cache for storing data associated with Web pages, a location list, and a history list.
 - 11. The method of claim 1, wherein the user input is to delete a selected portion of the confidential
- 25 information.
 - 12. The method of claim 11, wherein the selected portion is all of the confidential information.
- 30 13. A data processing system comprising:
 - a bus system;
 - a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes a set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system,
wherein the processing unit executes the set of
instructions to present confidential information within a
history generated by a browser in the graphical user
interface to form a presentation; receive a user input;
and manipulate the confidential information using the
user input.

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14. A data processing system for managing confidential information in a graphical user interface, the data processing system comprising:

presenting means for presenting confidential information within a history generated by a browser in the graphical user interface to form a presentation;

receiving means for receiving a user input; and manipulating means for manipulating the confidential information using the user input.

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15. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the receiving means is a first receiving means and further comprising:

second receiving means for receiving a selection of the confidential information for presentation.

16. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the presentation is in a form of a set of thumbnails, wherein each thumbnail represents a Web page containing a portion of the confidential information.

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17. The data processing system of claim 16 further comprising:

displaying means for responsive to a selection of a particular thumbnail from the set of thumbnails,

- 5 displaying a Web page associated with the particular thumbnail.
- 18. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the presentation is in a form a of tree and wherein the confidential information presented as nodes in the tree.
 - 19. The data processing system of claim 18, wherein each node within the nodes represents an object containing a portion of the confidential information.
 - 20. The data processing system of claim 19, wherein the object includes at least one of a Web page and a cookie.
- 21. The data processing system of clam 14, wherein the confidential information includes at least one of a phone number, a credit card number, a social security number, an address of a user, a user identification, a password, and a personal identification number.
- 25 22. The data processing system of claim 15, wherein the second receiving means comprises:

means for receiving the selection of information as a user input.

23. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the history includes a cookie file, a cache for storing data associated with Web pages, a location list, and a history list.

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- 24. The data processing system of claim 14, wherein the user input is to delete a selected portion of the confidential information.
- 10 25. The data processing system of claim 24, wherein the selected portion is all for the confidential information.
 - 26. A computer program product in a computer readable medium for managing confidential information in a graphical user interface, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions for presenting confidential information within a history generated by a browser in the graphical user interface to form a presentation;

second instructions for receiving a user input;

third instructions for manipulating the confidential information using the user input.